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Improvement at USD marks play of former Brave's catcher

by Joe Naiman

As a 10th-grader at El Cajon Valley High School, third baseman Alan Leuthard was an all-league infielder. The following year, the team was without a catcher, and Leuthard volunteered for the duties.

In baseball, catching gear is sometimes referred to as the "tools of ignorance," and in Leuthard's case that was appropriate. But his defensive skills at the new position are approaching the USD sophomore's hitting skills.

"As a catcher, he's improved remarkably in the two years he's been with us," said USD baseball coach John Cunningham. His defensive statistics last year weren't too shabby; he had three errors in 51 chances for a .941 fielding percentage and had a 1.000 fielding percentage in 15 chances during West Coast Conference play.

As of Feb. 16, he was errorless in six 1998 chances and threw out both runners trying to steal against him. Fortunately for Leuthard's playing time, college uses the designated hitter rule, so both Leuthard and Tony Betancourt can have their share of plate appearances. Betancourt, a year ahead of Leuthard, was the team's co-MVP in 1996 as well as the WCC freshman of the year.

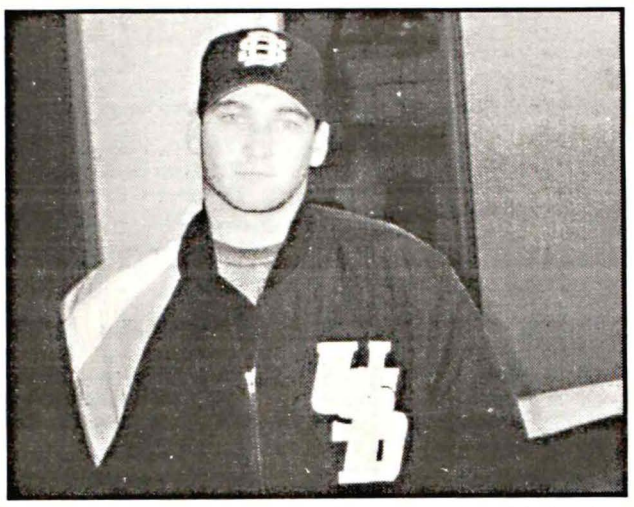
Leuthard accepts his backup status as a catcher. "You move up a level. Sometimes, there are people who are already there, and you've just got to work hard and wait for your turn."

As a hitter, however, Leuthard has earned a spot in the lineup. His .313 batting average in 115 at-bats last year (30 starts, 45 games total) ranked third on the team, and led the team with his .373 conference average.

He was named USD's Most Improved Player, despite his fresh- man status.

"He came from nowhere and really improved. He surprised us last year," said Cunningham.

Leuthard, who turns 20 in May, was born in Mercy Hospital and attended Lemon Avenue Elementary School in La Mesa before attending El Cajon Valley High School. He participated in La Mesa National Little League and El Cajon Pony League prior to high school and Palomino League ball.



Alan Leuthard, sophomore backup catcher at USD, has improved his catching ability and is one of the better hitters at the school. His improvement has even surprised his coaches. *Photo by Joe Naiman*

The 5'9," 180 lb. Leuthard didn't play any other sports in high school, but he wasn't saddled with family athletic standards.

His father, currently a safety inspector for OSHA, didn't play ball in high school, nor did Alan's only sibling, a younger sister, currently at Grossmont College.

His father did play recreational softball, giving him a role model. The elder Leuthard was a switch-hitter and usually batted left-handed, so Alan grew up batting left-handed, while throwing with his right hand.

He was on El Cajon's junior varsity team in ninth grade before making varsity as well as all-league in his final three years in high school.

Leuthard said he wasn't ready to leave home yet, and the fact that USD was a small school, and close to home, appealed to him. He was also impressed with Cunningham. The coach offered Leuthard a full scholarship the day of their first meeting, which the Braves' catcher accepted.

The computer science major has learned that differences between college and high school go beyond the level of competition. He commented that it's a little bit more disciplined than it was in high school, and that there is more equality between the starting players and those that are not starting.

The discipline is an adjustment for Leuthard, according to his coach. "He's sometimes his own worst enemy," said Cunningham. The coach felt that Leuthard's problem is not one of insubordination, but nervousness, adding that we know he's got that kind of capability, and that we're trying to get him to loosen up, have some fun playing the game.

"When he does that, he's really

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El Cajon's Mike Smith a 'pioneer' in local sports broadcasting

by Greg Eichelberger

El Cajon's Mike Smith, a former sports broadcaster for Channel 10, Channel 39 and one of the first FM station in San Diego (KPRI), never dreamed about being a broadcaster until a few media courses at San Diego City College sparked his interest in 1964.

After 31 years in the field and some disenchantment with pro sports while working in Los Angeles, he decided to gave it up to start a video production company which covers a wide range of local events, including sports.

The San Diego native and a graduate of Point Loma High School kicked off his long media career by becoming a deejay at KPRI (now KKLQ-Q 106),

"The whole FM concept was new and somewhat exciting, although we didn't necessarily realize it at the time," he said. "There were some fresh voices out there and some veterans playing out the string. But overall, it was a great time."

After spinning records for three years, some ad-libbing on the air got him his first TV jobs at a small local UHF-TV stations, KAAR, which later became KNSD Channel 39.

He was hired as one of the sports broadcasters along with Bill Fouch and Bob Chandler, who now announces various Padres games.

"I didn't know anything about TV," he said, but Station Manager Mel Wheeler just happened to hear me ad-libbing on KPRI while he was driving, and asked me to work for him."

Long before cable TV, anything above channel 13 was constituted a UHF (ultra high frequency) station, which were usually independent, with few personnel and fewer dollars.

Smith, along with his bare bones crew, learned the ropes by doing everything for themselves. They wrote copy, edited it, constructed and painted sets, did camera work, assisted in the art department, produced and performed as the on-air talents.

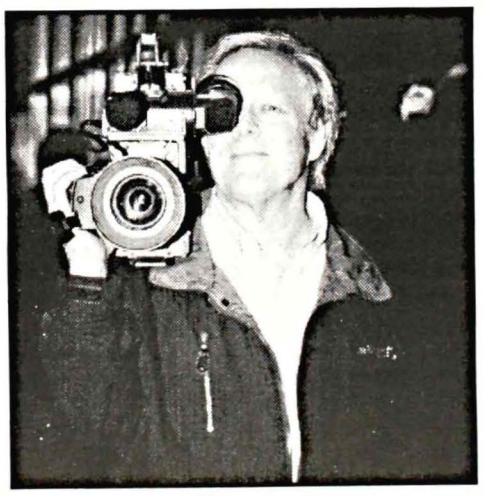
He said it was a great place to immerse one's self in the entire television experience.

He and wife, Sharon, and young sons Steven and Scott, moved to El Cajon because the family felt more at home in the East County.

"We lived in San Carlos for awhile," he said, "but we wanted to get further away from the city and live a slower, more open-spaced lifestyle. We haven't regretted it since." He was as proud as any dad could be when his sons graduated from Granite Hills High School.

In 1981, he was lured to Channel 10 and spent five years doing nightly sports. In was in this capacity, that he was able to realize one of his greatest thrills, seeing the Padres capture the National League pennant in 1984, second only to seeing the 1975 NCAA Final Four basketball championships, the last of 10 titles won by UCLA's John Wooden.

"The game was played here in San Diego, and two local boys, from Grossmont and of Helix were instrumental in that win," he said.



Former radio and TV sports broadcaster Mike Smith films a recent Gulls game for his video production company. *Photo by Greg Eichelberger*

He added that his other memorable moment was in the spring of 1973, when an unknown local boxer named Ken Norton stunned Muhammad Ali (Cassius Clay), breaking his jaw and winning the decision in the process.

From 1986 to 1988, he worked at KNBC, the megastation in Los Angeles, but that experience soured his taste of professional athletes, especially in the L.A. area.

He complained that many were spoiled and arrogant, so he began his own video business and left the area for good.

That year, he came back to Channel 10 to fill in for Larry Sackinoff, who became ill, on a Sunday night sportscast, but left for good in 1995 to run his video production company full time.

He said he had his fill with TV sports, particularly ESPN and CNNSI prima donna reporters who thought they were bigger than the games they reported.

"The station went to a younger man, who just happened to be an ex-jock, so that made me the odd man out," he said. "At first it was difficult, but looking back, it's the best thing that's happened."

His son Steve went on to become a production assistant for such highly-rated sitcoms as "Grace Under Fire" and "The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air," and now works for Fox Sports Two, while Scott helps his dad videotape various sports highlight films, infomercials, feature stories, instructional tapes, weddings and other events.

Still, Smith made a mark in local television history, and fondly recalls professionals like Jack White, Mike Ambrose and Carol LaBeau, among others, as people he was proud to know.

That still doesn't make him long for the days he spent in front of the camera rather than behind it.

"Running this company is a lot of work, sometimes," he said while filming a recent Gulls hockey game, "but you're your own boss and there's no consultant out there telling you you're too old to hold an audience. It's a great feeling."

In the Service

Navy Chief Petty Officer **Bradley L. Hill**, son of Clovis L. and Carol L. Hill, Lemon Grove, recently reported for duty at Naval Air Reserve, Naval Air Station, North Island.

He is a 1968 graduate of Mount Miguel High School, a 1974 graduate of Brigham Young University, with a BS degree, and a 1980 graduate of San Diego State University, with a MS degree.

Saturday, an hour after sunset, locate Saturn nearly 30 degrees up in west-southwest, and look for Mars nearly 26 degrees to its lower right. These are planets outside the Earth's orbit and, consequently, they orbit the sun more slowly than Earth does. Both planets appear lower in the western sky each evening, and will sink into bright twilight by the end of March. Saturn will be in conjunction beyond the sun on April 13, and Mars on May 12. Both planets will emerge into the eastern morning sky, Saturn in May, and Mars in July.

An hour before sunrise on Sunday, the crescent moon is in southeast with brilliant Venus within 16 degrees lower left. Follow them until well past sunrise, Sunday. In predawn on Monday, a beautiful pairing of moon and Venus — the two brightest nighttime objects — rewards early risers. Circumstances vary with location. Venus rises 4 degrees to moon's left, just as moon's crescent becomes fully visible, 2 hours 20 minutes before sunrise. From most locations in U.S., the views of moon and Venus should be especially striking from two hours to one hour before sunrise. Venus is near greatest brilliancy and is nearly at its highest in the sky for this morning apparition, so this will be one of the most impressive of the monthly pairings of the moon and Venus. (April 23 will be even more so, including Jupiter only about half a degree from Venus.) Follow Monday's pairing well into daytime, even past midday.

Monday, an hour before sunrise on Tuesday, the thin old crescent moon is very low in east-southeast, with brilliant Venus 11 degrees to upper right.

Tuesday, 30 minutes before sunrise on Wednesday, binoculars give the best view of the old crescent moon, just risen in east-southeast, 25 degrees to lower left of Venus. This is your last chance to see an illuminated crescent moon until early Friday evening!

Wednesday. Thursday's solar eclipse, total in a track across the Caribbean, is partial as far north as southernmost California where the moon covers at most a few percent of the sun's disk. The magnitude of the eclipse is the fraction of the sun's diameter covered at the peak of the eclipse. View the eclipse safely! DO NOT attempt to view any stage of the eclipse with the naked eye.

One safe method of observing the eclipse is to make a small pencil-point hole in an index card and, standing with your back to the sun, allow sunlight to shine through the hole to form a projected image on a second white card, held 2 - 4 feet away.

To improve image sharpness, use a smaller hole and employ a long cardboard box to mount the pinhole card at one end and screen (white paper) on the inside at the other end.

For more on the eclipse, including other safe methods of observing it and times for various locations, visit the websites: http://planets.nasa.gov/eclipse/eclipse.html, or http://www. .com/eclipses/eclipses.

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Lemon Grove Almanac

1994 Population:	**25,100**
Incorporated:	**1977**
Area:	**3.75 sq. mi.**
Median income:	**$34,399**
1996-97 city budget:	**$26.3 million**
1996 taxable sales:	**$265 million**
Mayor:	**Mary Teresa Sessom**
Council:	**Thomas Clabby**
	Craig Lake
	Dwight Shelley
	Jeff Jandura
City Manager:	**Doug Yount**
Planning Director:	**Linda Niles**
City Attorney:	**Gloria McLean**
City Clerk:	**Christine Taub**
Sheriff's Capt.:	**Yolanda Collins**
Fire Chief:	**vacant**

Congressional district:
52nd - Duncan Hunter
State Senate district:
40th - Steve Peace
State Assembly district:
77th - Steve Baldwin
Supervisorial district:
2nd - Dianne Jacob
High school:

Libraries:	**1**
Post offices:	**1**
Parks	**4**
Recreation centers	**1**

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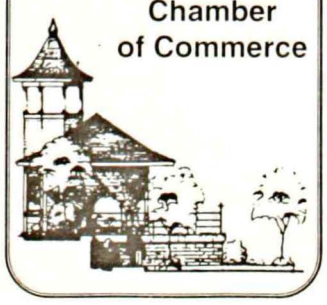

Commentary *When they came for the journalists*

by Joe Naiman

After I read the newspaper headlines about how Karla Fay Tucker was in such good spirits as she was executed, I made the remark that I hope I can be that cheerful when I'm executed.

Although I've never killed anyone with a pick-ax, there are some types of people who weren't surprised that I might expect to be executed someday. Other journalists can be understanding of that remark.

So can those who believe that the one-world government is coming, and the bastions of the free press will be rounded up. So can the ones who feel that all the journalists ought to be eliminated for good.

The media ranks up there with lawyers and elected officials in the minds of some people who think we ought to all be done away with. Since the same First Amendment which gives us the right to put whatever we want in a newspaper gives others the right to say whatever they want about us, I've always considered verbal abuse an occupational hazard along with long hours during production, low pay and Padres games where middle relief pitching fails.

The shooting of Tijuana editor Jesus Blancornelas last fall proved to me how lucky I am to be working in this country. I've known Jesus' son, the sports editor of Zeta who is also named Jesus, for a while. When I saw younger Jesus for the first time since the shooting, I remarked that I was sorry to hear about his father.

His response shocked me, when he said, "That's part of the job." I've worked with Tijuana media in the past and realized they were more at risk than I was, but the attitude that getting shot was part of the job was a bit more than I expected.

American journalists have been killed in the line of duty in plane and car crashes or killed when covering earthquakes, war or other catastrophes. The last member of the media to be killed specifically for what he said was radio talk show host Alan Berg in 1983. The last member of the print media to be killed specifically because he was a journalist was Dan Bolles in 1975.

The Superman episodes in which Lois Lane and Jimmy Olsen are consistently in danger are not the typical case for an American reporter, although I admit that if I knew Superman would rescue me I'd probably take a few more chances, especially with criminals who would tie me up first and kill me later rather than shoot me right away. In this country, a journalist is more likely to starve to death on what he's paid than to be killed for what he said or wrote.

In other countries, that is not the case. If a free press is a necessity for freedom, it behooves a totalitarian government to get rid of the journalists early. In Latin America, in Islamic nations and in Communist regimes, writing what one thinks can be a capital crime.

In Iraq, one cannot own a typewriter unless it is registered with the government. What scares me even more is that those in this country who accuse Microsoft of violating antitrust laws don't speak out against this behavior, when Saddam Hussein does it instead of Bill Gates.

Maybe pointing out that an Islamic leader who cuts off someone's hands forces them to use a mouse instead of typing on a keyboard and thus aids and abets Windows 95 will have more impact than arguing for freedom of the press, but the conditions under which my Iraqi colleagues operate aren't conducive to lasting long.

Therefore, the safest course for a journalist is to let others talk about what they'd like to do to the media, in so doing, getting them hooked on the First Amendment and giving them an interest in protecting us from their remarks actually becoming a reality.

Karla Fay Tucker developed remorse between the time of her murders and the time of her execution. Despite the long hours, low pay and risk of being the first to be rounded up in a tyranny, I have no remorse for choosing this career – nor would I have any remorse if they came for the journalists and executed us.

Website source for storm info

With El Niño-spawned storms predicted for some time to come, the sad fact is many Californians may soon have to cope with flood damage. A website created by the University of California, Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources (DANR) will help them prepare for the onslaught and deal with disaster once it strikes.

The Natural Disaster Website, (http://danr.ucop.edu/whatsnew.htm) has substantial flood preparation and flood cleanup educational information available, according to Steve Nation, DANR's emergency response coordinator.

"This website provides ready access to flood and other natural disaster preparedness information on-line," he said. "We've pulled this information together from a variety of university sources and have also linked it to related websites."

Just added to the site is Preparing for El Niño, which includes English and Spanish versions of more than a half-dozen one-pagers developed by UC Riverside Extension Specialist Karen Varcoe. Sample topics include Dealing with heavy rains, Creating a disaster plan and Dealing with disaster: Getting your home repaired.

The site also features:

• The disaster preparedness newsletter series Ready or Not? Six individual newsletters cover planning for an emergency, safety considerations, food and water, considerations for children, finance and insurance and cleanup.

• A special edition (English and Spanish) of UC Cooperative Extension's Farm Safety Newsletter published in the wake of the January 1997 floods, this newsletter contains information targeted at rural communities on subjects such as cleaning up inside buildings; electrical and natural gas systems; restoring farm equipment to operation; and pesticides and flood damage.

Leuthard

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good," he said.

The coach noted that he's more relaxed than he was last year as a freshman, "He's had to do a lot of things differently than maybe he did in high school."

Cunningham cited blocking balls as one of Betancourt's greatest areas of improvement since his first practice at USD. When Betancourt was injured and unable to play a series against Fullerton last year, Leuthard came through without a passed ball.

"Sometimes he's a better game player than he is a practice player," said Cunningham.

While Betancourt needs to work on his consistency, his attitude isn't lacking. "I love playing baseball. I always have. It's getting me through school and I just enjoy coming out any day and playing ball."

"In the next two years before he gets out of here he's going to be one heck of a college ballplayer," said Cunningham.

Sports Beat
with Greg Eichelberger

Greetings. A bit of sad news to report: of course, it's almost a week old, but that's okay. Anyway, the rather untimely passing of Harry Carey, the hard-drinking, hard-living, broadcaster for the Chicago Cubs, makes me think of his distant past, not his recent history. I prefer not to dwell on the fact that he (more often than not) slurred words, wore goofy, Coke-bottle glasses, committed racial faux pas, seldom traveled outside the Windy City and mispronounced many players' names.

But, I used to listen to him and Jack Buck announce St. Louis Cardinals' games on KMOX in the 1960s, a time when the team was winning three pennants and two World Series. A falling out with then-Redbirds' owner August A. "Gussie" Busch III, however, resulted in Carey's dismissal, and subsequent employment with the Athletics, White Sox and, finally, the Cubs in 1982.

He never approached the post-season with the A's or Chisox, and only twice with the hapless North Siders, in 1984 and 1989, but neither squad made it to the Fall Classic. So a Forum salute to Harry Carey. This Bud's for you, man.

The **Santee YMCA** (8669 Magnolia) announced a newly expanded boys gymnastics (ages 5-11) program. Classes are one and one-half hours and skills are taught emphasizing events in the USA Gymnastics Junior Olympic program. Instructor **Paul Chase** has over 20 years experience as a coach (several Olympians, including 1968 Silver medalist Jair Lynch) and competitor (13-time NCAA All-American and Northern California State Champion). Courses have already begun, but call 449-9622 for information.

Speaking of physical fitness, **Lakeside Middle School** will be offering after-hours workouts (2:30 - 3:40 p.m.) under the tutelage of personal trainer and strength coach **Dee Dudley**. Those who would like to take advantage of this free service can contact her at 390-2953.

The San Diego Gulls, who won weekend games against Bakersfield, Reno and Phoenix, raising its league-leading record to 39-7-1, traded back-up goalie Brian Masotta for back-up goalie Danny Lavoilette, who they traded for Masotta (and Jason Schmeer) in the first place!

A few East County high schools have made it to the state cheerleading championships held last week and this upcoming weekend at Magic Mountain. They are Helix, Mount Miguel and Ramona. Congratulations and good luck in the final competition.

Granite Hills (varsity and junior varsity), West Hills (varsity), Monte Vista (junior varsity), Grossmont (varsity) and Valhalla (varsity) were all successful on the local level, but only the Highlanders, who took fourth in the Grossmont Conference Cheering Championships, and the Matadors went on to state.

The Grossmont Community College **Griffins** were destroyed by the Comets of Palomar College last week, 99-54, seriously jeopardizing any chance at a post-season berth. "It was embarrassing," said point-guard Josh Furrow. "We couldn't pass, we couldn't shoot, we couldn't play," he said. You can say that again.

Mount Miguel High's varsity baseball team will host its annual alumni game on March 7, with contests at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Other events will include a homerun-hitting contest, a barbecue and a raffle. All interested alumni should contact coach Sean Seibel at 462-8121.

Hoops 4 U (club basketball) is now accepting registration for an instructional league for boys and girls ages 10 - 18. Practices are held at Christian High School. For details, call Doug Johnson at 286-3684.

Several new coaches have taken over sports at El Capitan High. With the sudden retirement of **Dick Wilkins** (also the school's athletic director), **Rick Foley** takes over the boys track team, while **Sean O'Hara** will head the girls' squad. **Rebecca Aase** will replace her friend, **Melissa Hadfield**, as the girls' varsity softball coach, since the latter is moving on to a teaching position at West Hills.

Anglers beware! The **San Vicente Reservation** will open Thursday for fishing through Sunday and for water skiing on Thursday and Friday only.

Well, that's about all I have time for this week, but, as usual, any input into this column (by calling 390-7103 or e-mailing ikeforum@juno.com) is more than welcome by the likes of me. Until then, however, have a great sports week.

CIF East County

Valhalla wins Div. II wrestling title

by Marv Rosen
Sports Editor

Wrestling

Led by wins in six of the nine finals, Valhalla's Norsemen wrestlers won the Div. II CIF title by scoring 292.5 points. In second was another Grossmont League team, Monte Vista, at a distant 208 points. League teams placed fifth (Helix -103), sixth (Mount Miguel - 103) and seventh (Santana - 102.5).

Valhalla, coached by Glen Takahashi, had wins from Lopez in the 103 pound division, Roberts (112), Pavlick (135), Acosta (160), Hirtado (171)Gregory (Mount Miguel - and Herrington (210).

Other Grossmont champions included Alexander (Monte Vista - 119), Garcia (Helix - 125), Santoyo (130 - Santana), McIntyre (145 - El Cajon Valley) and Gregory (Mount Miguel - 189).

Last season, the Norseman placed second behind perennial champion Poway when wrestling in Div. 1.

In Div. 1 standings, Granite Hills was sixth with 106 points and West Hills seventh with 84.5. The only first-place Grossmont League wrestler was Hadassa of Granite Hills in the 171 division.

Girls Water Polo

Grossmont advanced to the Div. I quarter finals with a 5-3 win over San Pasqual. In Div. II, El Cajon Valley, which had advanced on Friday on a 6-4 win over Monte Vista, was unceremoniously bounced by Coronado, 19-5.

Basketball

On Monday, in Div. I boys play, Mount Miguel played at West Hills and Valhalla played host to San Marcos. Helix played at Bonita Vista in girls' action.

Tonight, Granite Hills plays at Poway, and Grossmont hosts San Pasqual. In Div. II boys, Montgomery visits El Cajon Valley.

On Wednesday, Div. I girls has Carlsbad at Mount Miguel, Valhalla at Mount Carmel and West Hills at El Camino.

In Div. II, Hoover is at Monte Vista and El Cajon Valley plays at University City.

Soccer

Div. II boys today has Montgomery at Grossmont, Scripps Ranch at Helix and Escondido at El Capitan.

In girls action. Helix at Mira Mesa, Serra at Santana, and Montgomery at Grossmont open the divisional play.

In Div. IV girls quarterfinals, Christian will play host Santa Fe Christian.

On Wednesday, Div. I boys has Granite Hills at Chula Vista and West Hills at Rancho Bernardo. In girls Div. I action, Valhalla plays at Poway and West Hills at Rancho Bernardo.

Norrie West

If the PGA Tour had any brains, which at this point in time they do not seem to possess, they would sit down with Casey Martin and work out some means by which he could play in their tournaments.

Actually Casey doesn't need a golf cart, just a small motorized vehicle that could transport him down the fairway and deposit him fairly near his ball. His caddy would walk carrying his bag. He would still need to swing his club and hit the ball, and walk onto the green and putt. Like the other pro golfers.

It is quite likely he would be as tired, or more so, than the other players at the end of the round.

But that is not likely to happen because the PGA Tour people are acting like a juvenile, fighting him in court, with much to lose if they do win there.

Not since the present PGA Tour organization was born in the late '60s, have they done so much to discredit themselves.

Their lack of judgement is beyond comprehension.

East County

Community College schedule
(as available)

Wednesday (2/25) – *BASEBALL*: Grossmont College vs. Southern California College.

Thursday (2/25) – *MEN'S VOLLEYBALL*: Grossmont College at San Diego Mesa.

Friday, 2/27) – *SWIMMING* and *DIVING*: Grossmont College vs. San Diego Mesa, Riverside College at Riverside. *MEN'S* and *WOMEN'S BASKETBALL*: Grossmont College at Southern Calif. Regionals (round 1). *SOFTBALL* : Grossmont College vs.Mount San Jacinto College. *MEN'S VOLLEYBALL*: Grossmont College vs. Irvine Valley College.

Saturday (2/28) – *MEN'S* and WOmen's *BASKETBALL*: Grossmont College at Southern Calif. Regionals (round 1). *BASEBALL*: Grossmont College at San Diego CC (Morley Field). *SWIMMING* and *DIVING*: Grossmont College at Swimming Pentathlon at Saddleback College. *MEN'S TENNIS*: Grossmont College at Saddleback College.

East County High Schools

Sports Schedules

(as available)

Tuesday, Feb. 24 - Tuesday, March 2
(check with schools for times)

CIF playoffs

Girls water polo

SEMIFINALS – (Jewish Community Center, La Jolla) Div. I. Feb. 26: 5:30, 7 p.m., Div. II. Feb. 27: 5:30, 7 p.m.

FINALS – Feb. 28: (Jewish Community Center, La Jolla.) Div. I, 5:30, Div. 2, 7 p.m.

Basketball

BOYS: Feb. 24 – First round Div. I, II, V (at higher seed).
GIRLS: Feb. 25 – First round Div. I, II, V (at higher seed).

Quarter finals

BOYS: Feb. 27 – all divisions (at higher seed).
GIRLS: Feb. 28 – all divisions (at higher seed).

Soccer

BOYS and GIRLS: Feb. 24 – First round Div. II (at higher seed). Div. IV girls quarterfinals. (at higher seed).
BOYS and GIRLS: Feb. 25 – First round Div. I (at higher seed).
BOYS and GIRLS: Feb. 26 – Quarterfinals Div. II (at higher seed).
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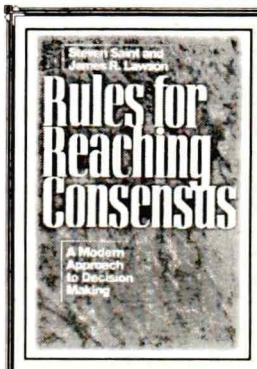

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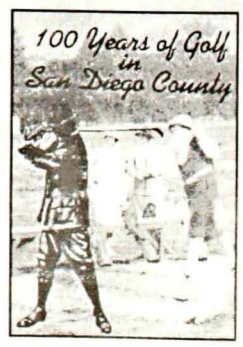

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